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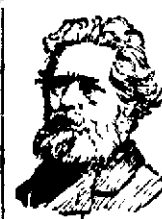
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An Old Favorite

LIFE

By Philip James Bailey



PHILIP JAMES BAILEY, who was born in England April 22, 1816, and died there a few months ago, is a conspicuous example of a writer whose fame was made and sustained by a single work. The title of "Poems," published when the poet was twenty-three, is familiar to all readers, but few know the names of his other works. Although "Poems" abounds in beautiful passages and merits the praise bestowed on it by reviewers, at the time of its original publication and since it is no longer widely read.

THIS life is a mystery.
The value of a thought cannot be told;
But it is clearly worth a thousand lives.
Like many men's, And yet men love to live
As if mere life were worth their living for.
What but perdition will it be to most?
Life's more than breath and the quick round of blood;
It is a great spirit and a busy heart.
The coward and the small in soul scarce do live.
One generous feeling—one great thought—one deed
Of good, ere night, would make life longer seem.
Than if each year might number a thousand days.
Spent as this is by nations of mankind.
We live in deeds, not years; in thoughts, not breaths;
In feelings, not in hours or in a dial.
We should count time by heart-throbs. He most lives
Who thinks most—feels the noblest—acts the best.

E. L. BURDICK MURDERED

WEALTHY CITIZEN OF BUFFALO
FOUND IN HIS ROOM WITH
BRAINS BEATEN OUT.

MYSTERY SURROUNDS CRIME

Which Was Committed During the Day
No Evidence of Robbery Being
Presented.

Buffalo, N. Y., Feb. 27.—Edwin L. Burdick, president of E. L. Burdick & Co., and of the Buffalo Envelope company, was murdered today at his home. The theory at first advanced that the crime was the work of a burglar was abandoned tonight, while they claim to have several important clues, no arrest has been made.

The body was found by servants in the smoking room on a couch covered with a rug and a number of pillows. The couch was saturated with blood and the walls and floor were bespattered with brains and blood. The head was crushed with some blunt instrument and two fingers were broken, probably while attempting to ward off blows.

According to the police the fact that nothing of value is missing, that the doors and windows were locked, disposes of the theory of robbery as well as that of murder done by an unknown intruder. No weapon was found anywhere. The police theory is that Burdick answered a call at the door, admitted some one well known to himself, and took the visitor to the smoking room for a talk. The force of the blows that killed Burdick, the police say, were such as seems to preclude the possibility that a woman delivered them.

Mrs. Burdick, the murdered man's wife, left home two months ago, with the intention, it is said, of not returning. Last December proceedings for a divorce were filed by Burdick. What as a result of the failure of his business may have had with the crime, the police do not presume to say.

PINGREE SACRIFICES EVERYTHING HE OWNS

Director of Wrecked City Bank Is A Bankrupt.
Detroit, Mich., Feb. 27.—Frank C. Pingree, one of the directors of the wrecked City Savings bank, said today that he would either file a petition in bankruptcy or make an assignment as a result of the failure of the City Savings bank and the losses he has incurred. He says that he will lose absolutely everything he has and will have left about \$700 worth of household goods. He is the second director of the bank driven to the wall by its failure.

OVER SENSITIVE CASHIER.

Killed Himself Because of Worry Over Business.
Iowa City, Ia., Feb. 27.—D. Prester, cashier of the Iowa Trust Savings bank, shot and killed himself in the bank today. Prester was worrying because the bank did not have the money necessary to warrant banks to some persons. The directors find the bank all right.

HENDERSON WILL SUCCEED REED

Retiring Speaker Is to Enter New York Law Firm.
Dubuque, Ia., Feb. 27.—It was announced this afternoon at the law office of Henderson, Lincoln, Hurd & Kiesel that Speaker Henderson has retired from the Iowa House of Representatives. Henderson will enter a New York law firm as successor to former speaker Reed.

Hammond Under Arrest.

Chicago, Feb. 27.—Geo. J. Hammond, president of the defunct Combination Investment company, who was indicted yesterday on the charge of embezzlement, was arrested at Minneapolis today.

New Illinois Line.

Springfield, Feb. 27.—The St. Louis, Vandalia and Eastern railroad was incorporated today. The capital is \$50,000. The railroad will be constructed from East St. Louis to Marshall, Clark county, Ill.

Confirms Rosebud Agreement.

Washington, Feb. 27.—The senate today passed a bill to ratify and confirm the agreement with the Rosebud Indians, of South Dakota, for the cession of certain lands.

In Memory of Morton.

Lincoln, Neb., Feb. 27.—Memorial exercises in honor of J. Sterling Morton, former secretary of agriculture, were held by the legislature today. The principal address was by Governor McKelvey.

Goos With Rock Island.

Appoka, Kan., Feb. 27.—It is authoritatively stated that John P. Stevens, formerly of the Great Northern, will be named as chief engineer of the Rock Island.

PRESIDENT MAKES APPEAL

To the Senate to Pass the Philippine
Tariff Bill Urged by Governor
Taft.

THE CASE IS AN URGENT ONE.

Washington, Feb. 27.—The president late this afternoon sent to the senate a message relating to the Philippine tariff bill. He cites a message from Governor Taft, urging the enactment of the measure and pointing out failure to do so would result in hardship to the people of the islands. This view of the governor is endorsed by Vice Governor Wright, the president says. The president's message reviews the deplorable condition of the Philippines after six years of war and declares there is imminent danger of a famine in the island.

"I ask action in the tariff matter not merely from the standpoint of a wise governmental policy," says the president, "but as a measure of humanity in response to an appeal to which this great people should not close its ears."

Closing his appeal on behalf of the Philippines, the president says: "The wisdom of congress at the present session has provided for them a stable currency and its spirit of humane liberality and justice toward them will be shown in an appropriation now substantially agreed upon of three million dollars to meet the pressing immediate necessities. But there remains the vital need that one thing further shall be done. The calamities which have befallen them, as above enumerated, could have been averted by no human wisdom. They cannot be completely repaired, but the sufferings can be greatly alleviated and a permanent basis of future prosperity assured if the economic relations of the islands with the United States are put upon a satisfactory basis."

SOUTHERN EDITOR

Opposed to Any Attempt to Endorse
Roosevelt's Southern Policy.

Washington, Feb. 27.—Strong opposition to endorsement of the president's so-called "southern policy" was developed at a session of the executive committee of the republican editorial association where the real interest of the convention centered. Robert Mitchell, of North Carolina, was the only outspoken opponent of the president at the convention. He was not a member of the committee.

He stated plainly to the members that he would oppose in an open session any endorsement of the president's policy regarding the negro question. When the resolutions were presented to the convention, no mention of the southern questions were made. The members of the committee denied any such resolutions were contemplated.

It was stated, however, by Mitchell, the question of endorsement on this point had been proposed by a New York delegate and that it was voted down in committee after a warm discussion in the interest of harmony.

John A. Schleicher of New York, was elected president.

ALDRICH BILL IN THE HOUSE.

Differs Somewhat From the Measure
Presented in the Senate.

Washington, Feb. 27.—Representative Payne, chairman of house committee on ways and means, today introduced the Aldrich bill to permit the secretary of the treasury to deposit government funds with national banks, with municipal and other bonds as security, but with some few changes from the provisions of the measure now before senate. The most important difference in the bill from the measure reported in the senate committee is the provisions relieving the depositors of the necessity of keeping 25 per cent reserve against the government deposits. Another change provides that in determining the value of taxable property of the city, street railway bonds shall not be included. By direction of the speaker the bill was referred to the banking and currency committee. No time was fixed for a meeting of the committee to consider the measure.

D. A. R. OFFICERS.

Election Concluded at General Meeting
in Washington.

Washington, Feb. 27.—The Daughters of the American Revolution have concluded with their election of officers. The vice president generals include: Mesdames Richards, Iowa; William P. Jewett, of Minnesota; Matthew T. Scott, of Illinois.

Chaplain—Mrs. T. S. Hamlin, of the District of Columbia.
Recording Secretary—Mrs. John W. Holcombe, of the District of Columbia.
Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. Henry Mann, of the District of Columbia.

SNOW IN NEBRASKA.

Heavy Blanket Covers the Earth and
Storm Continues.

Lincoln, Neb., Feb. 27.—Telegrams tonight from central and western Nebraska towns say a heavy blanket of snow covers the whole region and the storm continues.

Big Deal in Elevators.

Minneapolis, Minn., Feb. 27.—The Independent Elevator Company, controlling twenty-one country elevators, was sold today to the Brooks Griffin Company. It affects the grain trade northwest.

SUFFOCATE IN A COAL MINE

TWO MORE SANGAMON COUNTY
MINERS LOSE LIFE, MAKING
FIVE THIS WEEK.

WERE OVERCOME BY SMOKE

From the Powder Blasts Used By Them
—One Dead in Attempted
Rescue.

Springfield, Feb. 27.—At 5 o'clock this morning a shafly find was made in the shaft of the Black Diamond coal mine south of the city. The find was two men, one dead and the other dying.

About 5 o'clock miners in the Black Diamond mine found the prostrate bodies of two miners, Augustus Motley and Thomas McDonald. They were some distance from the bottom of the shaft and had been overcome by the powder smoke from the shots they had fired. Motley had fired the shot and then rushed in too soon. The smoke was very dense and the currents of air had been disturbed by the explosion. The result was that there was no pure air to breathe and Motley was overcome. He sank to the ground in a faint. As soon as McDonald saw what had happened he rushed to the assistance of his fellow workmen, but was himself overcome. As near as can be told this occurred about 3:30 o'clock this morning. The men were not found until 5 o'clock. Motley was dead when found but McDonald lived until about 7 o'clock when he too, expired.

An inquest will be held late this evening by a coroner's jury. Coroner Baer was in Auburn all morning and did not return until this afternoon. He was holding an inquest over the three miners killed in the mine there and came back to find that the death of two miners was awaiting him here.

The funeral of Mr. Motley will be held at the residence, 1916 East Carpenter street at 1:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon and at the Union Baptist church at 2 o'clock.

The time for McDonald's funeral has not yet been appointed, but probably it will be at the church at the same time as Motley's. Both funerals will be under the auspices of the miners' union.

It is rather a strange occurrence for a miner to be killed by powder smoke, yet it has happened before.

MICHIGAN REPUBLICANS.

Meeting of League Clubs Demand Better
Primary Laws.

Grand Rapids, Mich., Feb. 27.—Primary election reform was the keynote of the resolutions adopted and of every address made here today at the annual meeting of the Michigan League of Republican clubs.

Officers elected: President Franz C. Kuhn, Mt. Clemens; vice president, Roy S. Barnhart of Grand Rapids; treasurer, Jas. F. McGregor of Detroit; secretary, B. J. Lowrey of Howell City. Tonight delegates attended a banquet of Lincoln and Young Men's republican clubs, at which over 1000 guests were present.

KNAPP NOT INSANE

The Vicious Murderer Will Be Tried
At Hamilton.

Hamilton, O., Feb. 27.—Prosecutor Gard stated positively tonight that Knapp would be tried here.

Dr. Hoppen, alienist, tonight examined Knapp. He stated Knapp is at present sane. He found two depressions in his skull due to old injuries probably. He said the effect might have been to produce epilepsy, which, however, Knapp never had according to his statement.

DISAGREE THIS TIME.

Jury in the Mrs. Hossack Trial Unable
to Agree.

Winterset, Ia., Feb. 27.—The jury in the trial of Mrs. Margaret Hossack charged with the murder of her husband was unable to agree. This was the second trial. In the first Mrs. Hossack was convicted of murder in the first degree and the case was reversed by the supreme court.

Steamship Arrivals.

New York, Feb. 27.—Sicilia from Genoa.
Ponta Del Gada—Oscar II from Copenhagen for New York.
Phaenix—Melike, from New York, via Panchal and Malta, on oriental cruise.
Liverpool—Germania from New York.
Naples—Calabria from Leghorn for New York.
Genoa—Sicilian Prince, from New York, via Naples.
Trave from New York, via Naples.
London—Cambien from Boston; Mesaba from New York.
Malta—Augusta Victoria, from New York via Panchal, Malaga and Genoa, on cruise.
Constantinople—Kaiserin Maria Theresa, from New York via Panchal, Malta, etc., (on cruise).
Glasgow—Siberian, from Philadelphia.

More Trouble at Packing House.

Chicago, Feb. 27.—Labor trouble at the stock yards is pending again. There is a prospect of a general strike of the packing house engineers supported by the steam fitters and machinists. They demand an eight hour day and increased wages.

MR. MORGAN IS OBDRATE

Turns Down Senator Cullom's Appeal
To Fix A Day For Voting on
The Canal Treaty.

CONFIRMATION WILL BE DEFEAT

Washington, Feb. 27.—A determined effort on the part of Senator Cullom to obtain Mr. Morgan's consent to fix a time for voting on the Panama canal treaty was made in the executive session of the senate today and was met by just as determined opposition on the part of the Alabama senator. Mr. Cullom said the United States had been trying for fifty years to get the canal across the isthmus and appealed to Mr. Morgan not to stand in the way of a consummation of this aspiration. He first asked for a vote tomorrow, then Monday and lastly Tuesday, but each request was refused. Mr. Cullom expressed the opinion that Mr. Morgan was making a great mistake, while Mr. Morgan may be called the father of the canal it would seem that by his opposition that he was strangling his own efforts.

Mr. Morgan in reply declared his interest in the canal was as great as ever, so great, that he felt he owed it to himself and the country to exert himself to the utmost to prevent the ratification of a treaty which he felt to be so full of defects as to require a refusal to allow him to discuss the treaty in open session. The country, he said, ought to know just what it was going into, but it could not know so long as the doors were closed every time the treaty was mentioned.

Most of the senators believed the refusal to fix a time for a vote means the treaty cannot be ratified before the close of the present session.

ANNUAL CONCERT

By the High School About May First
Will Be Most Pretentious Effort.

SENDS IN HIS RESIGNATION.

Prof. Carl Vertrees Says He Will Be
Unable to Resume Duties.

About May first Miss Clark has planned to have a concert given by the members of the junior and senior classes of the high school, assisted by the opera house orchestra. The affair will be held in the opera house and an admission fee will be charged. The classes have been practicing regularly for the last week or two and have taken a great deal of interest in the affair. Several new selections have been received by Miss Clark and practice on them has begun.

The concert is not a new institution, but is a former custom of the high school, but last year there was no concert given. It is expected to make it much more interesting this year than ever, and to give an entertainment that is worth while. The proceeds derived from the sale of tickets will be donated to the high school library.

The Forum held its regular meeting last night. There was a large number present and a very interesting meeting was held. Among the business transacted it was decided to raise the necessary amount of money by a special assessment to pay off the debts left over from last year. A bill for printing left over from last year was ordered to be paid.

The following program was given.
Essay—Clifford Gandy.
Reading—Edgar Peters.
Debate—"Resolved, That the present high school building should be converted into a ward school and the new building to be erected be made the high school." The affirmative was supported by Ethan Kille and Roy Johnson, the negative by Morton Tschack and Frank Upland. The debate was very good and was decided in favor of the affirmative.

Chad Vertrees has written Principal Chalm that he will be unable to resume his school work here this year and has sent in his resignation. Mr. Vertrees was teacher of physics and physical geography and came here last year. He was taken down with a very severe case of pneumonia about a month ago and it will be some time before he will be able to resume school work. He is now at his home in Pittsfield. Mr. Brown of the University of Indiana who was filling the vacancy temporarily will probably take the position permanently.

Mr. Brown, teacher of physics was absent yesterday on account of a severe cold.

The March number of the Observer has gone to the press and will be out next week. The number is especially interesting in the athletic department, and also has some good stories. There is a little more than the usual amount of advertising space taken in this number.

There has been a considerable amount of sickness in the high school this week. There have been several absent on this account, and several have attended school rather than be absent that should have been at home. A good many of the teachers are suffering from severe colds, but have kept up their school work. From some reason or other the physical laboratory seems to be an especially bad place for taking colds, the room is difficult to heat and a regular range of temperature can hardly be secured.

DAY OF GRAND OPERA.

Large Audiences Hear the Castle
Square Company at the Grand.

The Castle Square Opera company gave a matinée and night performance at the Grand yesterday. The matinee was given a liberal patronage. At night the house was practically sold out before the doors were opened. Many persons were content to stand in order to hear the company.

"Comet" was given in the afternoon and at night the company sang "Il Trovatore." Both bills gave immense satisfaction. The company is a large and capable one and the attraction was decidedly one of the most artistic successes of the season.

Weather Forecast.

Washington, Feb. 27.—Illinois—Rain or snow in the north, fair in the south portion Saturday, colder; Sunday fair, colder, winds becoming northwest and high.

Local Weather.
The following is a record of the temperature for 24 hours ended Saturday evening at 7 o'clock as reported by Professor J. H. Conradt, government observer:

7 a. m.42	Highest59
Noon34	Lowest43
7 p. m.34	Record43

DEMOCRATS MAKE GOOD

THEIR THREAT TO BLOCK ALL
LEGISLATION IN HOUSE BY
FILIBUSTERING PLAN.

SPECIAL RULES ADOPTED

In Order to Save Appropriation Bills
From Defeat That Other Legis-
lation Will Meet.

Washington, Feb. 27.—The democrats of the house today carried out their threat made yesterday, that if Rutherford was not elected they would block all legislation in the house by filibustering plan. The result was another stormy session prolonged from 11 o'clock in the morning until almost seven o'clock this evening.

Roll calls followed roll call and at every name party position manifested itself in bitter and acrimonious denunciations. Two special rules were brought in today to expedite the appropriation bills and to continue the legislative day of yesterday in order to reduce as much as possible the minority's power to obstruct legislation.

During the debate on the rule the democrats voted their condemnation of what they denominated as yesterday's outburst on the part of the chair. The republicans defended their action as being a necessary responsibility for what they had done and explained the necessity of the drastic rules presented today. Mr. Doherty saying that unless the house could consume 137 hours, or 27 days, or 107 days, on roll calls on the special rules, the appropriation bills would be lost.

For both sides the present situation is a most difficult one. The democrats are in a most difficult position. They are in a most difficult position. They are in a most difficult position.

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CHICAGO BANKERS AGREED

That Aldrich Bill Will Prove Serious
Impediment to The Present
Financial Conditions.

APPEAL TO ILLINOIS DELEGATION

Chicago, Feb. 27.—Unless the 1-1/2 per cent tax clause of the Aldrich bill is eliminated, a strong fight against the bill will be made by Chicago bankers. Their decision was arrived at today after three hours of conference and instructions were wired to Illinois congressional delegation to that effect. Following is the substance of the telegram:

"The Aldrich bill if passed as it now stands, it is a most serious and immediate restraint by banks of the large amount of government deposits which they now hold resulting in a contraction of resources now in use and a reduction in the market value of government bonds which will be withdrawn and sold. National banks cannot now afford to carry as an investment government or such other bonds as the bill calls for, and there would be an actual loss to them to do so under the terms of the bill on government deposits at 1-1/2 per cent. Now, if any, western banks could or would, in our opinion avail themselves of the supposed privileges of the bill at that rate of interest. There would be a loss to them and no advantage to the public in so doing. We urge you to oppose the bill which would hamper instead of help the present financial conditions unless the interest clause is struck out."

BARTENDER IMPLICATED IN INDIANA BANK ROBBERY

Father of the Boy Murdered at the
Time Violently Insane.

Westville, Ind., Feb. 27.—Indoctrinated in the robbery of the South bank at Westville a few weeks ago, and the murder of Wesley Reynolds while defending the robbery, has been revealed by a white lie because of the arrest of Charles Lumpkins, a bartender. The officers are on the trail of three other men who are thought to be implicated in the robbery and robbery. The evidence against all is circumstantial.

Ernest Reynolds, father of the boy, who was murdered, has become violently insane since from bleeding over the robbery.

John Warner, Clarence Dunham and Ed. O'Leary were arrested today on a charge of attempting to rob the South bank at Westville and kill Wesley Reynolds, who was murdered today. The men have pleaded guilty to the robbery and the murder. The case is being handled against attack.

FIGHT OVER DEMURRAGE.

Prompts Agent Stegald to Kill Grain
Buyer Bowen.

Some Falls St. Dak., Feb. 27.—H. E. Stegald, agent of the Illinois Central at Buffalo, today shot and instantly killed Frank Bowen, a grain buyer of that place and owner of the town site. Bowen was arrested and brought here. The man quarreled last night over a demurrage. Bowen returned to the station today to receive some express packages and while waiting for the train shot and killed him.

Stegald, a second, 12-year-old son, was shot and killed.

Hearing on Freight Rates.

Washington, Feb. 27.—The hearing in the matter of the recent advances of freight rates was concluded today. Vice President Caldwell of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western, testified for the railroads. The gist of his testimony was that the reason for the advance was the increased cost of labor and supplies. He admitted, however, the cessation of the rebate practice had saved the railroads considerable money but declined to make any estimate of the amount.

MILL BOILER EXPLODES.

Killing Proprietor and Son and De-
molishing Engine.

Kosauqua, Ia., Feb. 27.—The boiler in a flour mill exploded today killing Anton Nies, proprietor, and George Nies, his son. The engine was demolished.

THE PRIZE BRUTE

Lives at Peoria and Holds the Record For Shocking Brutality to Wife.

HELD HER ON RED HOT STOVE.

Facetiously Suggesting That It Would Improve Her Complexion.

Peoria, Feb. 27.—Decatur's her husband held her upon a red hot stove to improve her complexion. Mrs. Conrad Smith this morning filed a divorce bill against him replete in the most shocking details of callous brutality. That she escaped with her life on that terrible occasion was little short of a miracle. She states that her life with him has been a most terrible one throughout, his various acts culminating in the awful torture inflicted that night. He had repeatedly beaten and struck her and once knocked her from a bench, wrenching her back in a frightful manner. In view of these facts she asks that a decree of divorce be granted.

The couple were married on Dec. 14, 1892, and continued to live together until March of 1902. One child was born as the issue of this marriage, a girl, now 9 years of age and of this child the mother asks the custody.

SAMUEL ALSCHULER RESIGNS

Will Not Serve as Member of Louisiana Purchase Commission.

Springfield, Feb. 27.—Governor Yates received a communication yesterday from Hon. Samuel Alschuler of Chicago, tendering his resignation as a member of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition commission of Illinois. In his letter Mr. Alschuler states that he has not the time to give the work of commissioner proper attention.

Samuel Alschuler formerly lived at Aurora and was the democratic nominee for governor two years ago last fall, making the race against Governor Yates.

ILLINOIS INSTRUCTOR MISSING.

R. E. Richardson, Fellow at Champaign, Suddenly Disappears.

Champaign, Feb. 27.—University of Illinois authorities are worried over the mysterious disappearance of R. E. Richardson, a fellow in zoology. The missing instructor left his room one morning last week and has not been heard from since then.

He had no enemies, was well liked and had no reason for leaving suddenly so far as known.

MELANCHOLIA LEADS TO SUICIDE

Lincoln Woman Seeks End By Drinking Concentrated Lye.

Lincoln, Ill., Feb. 27.—Melancholia and ill-health are believed to have been responsible for the suicide of Mrs. Charles J. Huber, 28 years old, who drank a quantity of concentrated lye at 8 o'clock this morning at her home, two miles north of the city. The woman expired at 1:15 o'clock this afternoon in intense agony, after remaining in an unconscious condition all day.

It is believed that she was temporarily insane. She belonged to a prominent and wealthy family.

Business Change at Lincoln.

Lincoln, Ill., Feb. 27.—An important business deal was completed today at noon, when a Lincoln shoe store changed hands and Charles Richards, the proprietor, retired in favor of Adam Walker and Harry Alexander. After negotiations have begun the deal did not hang fire and the rather sudden change may cause surprise. The purchase price was said to be \$11,000.

Exporting Seed Corn.

Lincoln, Ill., Feb. 27.—Fred C. W. Koehnle today sent via the American Express company several large boxes of seed corn and grain raised on Logan county farms to Thomas S. Sully of the Royal Agricultural College, Gloucester, England, who will conduct experiments on foreign soil.

RAILROAD REWARDS HERO.

Big Four Shows Appreciation of Man Who Saved Fast Train.

Harrisburg, Pa., Feb. 27.—Eugene Glasscock, who prevented the wreck of a Big Four passenger train near Harrisburg, Pa., today received a pass on that road for himself and family over the entire system for a period of ninety-nine years, as a reward for his heroism. Nearly two weeks ago, while on his way to this city, Mr. Glasscock discovered a bad coupling in the train, and although a blizzard was raging, with the mercury below zero, he arrested the movement of the passenger train, and prevented what would have been a fatal and disastrous wreck. The train was over an hour late and was loaded with passengers. When he saw the train, though nearly frozen in the bad cold, he ran out and tagged it. When the train reached him he was nearly frozen and had to be assisted into the car.

OFFERED POST AT MONMOUTH.

The Rev. J. H. McMichael Tendered Presidency of Illinois College.

Monmouth, Ill., Feb. 27.—The Rev. T. H. McMichael of Cleveland, Ohio, has been tendered the presidency of Monmouth college, and arrived in the city today, accompanied by Mrs. McMichael, to look over the field. Mr. McMichael spent the early years of his life and his college days at Monmouth when his father, the late Dr. J. B. McMichael, was president of the college. His wife also spent a number of years in attendance at the college.

Shriners Meet at Peoria.

There was a special meeting of Mohammed Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Peoria Friday afternoon and evening. A considerable delegation went from here and the list of about 90 candidates included the following from this city: Nicholas Bonnersbach, J. E. Stumpf and George A. Hackett.

You can't convince a man that he is minus proper appreciation of the genuine disposition of the average woman.

A BILL THAT SHOULD PASS

Affords Newspaper Men Opportunity to Protect Informants Who Are Honest and Reliable.

AND PUNISH MALICIOUS ONES.

Representative Samuel E. Erickson yesterday introduced a bill to make the name of an informant giving facts in regard to crime to any editor, publisher, reporter or correspondent of a newspaper printed or published in this state, a privileged communication before a grand jury or a court of inquiry investigating such crime, and making it an offense for any person to give false information to a newspaper with respect to the commission of a crime. The provisions of the bill are as follows:

"Whenever any person shall inform any editor or publisher of any newspaper printed or published in this state, or any reporter or correspondent connected therewith, of any crime heretofore committed in this state, or of any fact or facts concerning such crime, which information is by such person communicated to such editor, publisher, reporter or correspondent as a matter of news and for publication in such newspaper, such editor, publisher, reporter or correspondent shall not be compelled to divulge before or to any grand jury or court of inquiry investigating such crime the names of such persons giving such information, and the same shall be in such case a privileged communication.

"Any person who shall give to any editor, publisher, reporter or correspondent of a public newspaper false information concerning the commission of a crime and who shall assume such information to be true, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be fined in any sum not less than ten dollars nor more than five hundred dollars."

THE JUSTICE COURTS.

A Number of Minor Cases Disposed of Friday.

The case of George Geuphart charged by his wife with assault came before Justice Hane Friday and was continued by agreement until nine o'clock Saturday morning, March 7th. In the same court Dr. B. F. Slusher obtained judgment against William Buckley for \$52. The doctor sued for amount of a note of Buckley for \$38 which he had endorsed and had to pay and also for a bill of \$25 for medical services. Buckley presented an offset of \$25 in the shape of a bill for the services of his sixteen year old son for five days. Justice Hane allowed the boy a dollar a day for the time and gave judgment for \$52 in favor of Dr. Slusher.

Justice O'Mara gave judgment yesterday in the case of May Murphy vs. Ed Paxton in which the plaintiff sued for part of a piano after she had paid for the same. Paxton off on a charge of waste. Paxton gave possession and resisted the charge for rent in which he was sustained by the justice. The attorneys were John Fitzgerald for the plaintiff and Lafayette Shelley for the defendant.

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WERE CITY PEOPLE LIKE HIM?

Farmer Confessed That Grand Opera Was Too Much For Him.

"Grand" and "E. Travolta" are classed with other grand operas although they are not quite as heavy as some of them. They are a trifle to wealthy for a good many people, although they should not be for the music is such as should appeal to even the uneducated ear. But the name of grand opera doubtless caught a good many persons who were disappointed without saying so. They would rather say that they enjoyed it than to admit that they did not. All people are not as honest with themselves as a young farmer who came in over almost impossible roads to hear "Carmen". He bought a dollar seat and went in and listened one because he was too polite to disturb the people in getting up and coming out sooner. When the act had ended however he got out just as quick as his legs would carry him, and the first he had he handed his pass check with the remark: "Go in and see it if you want to. The damned thing is too deep for me."

PLAN FOR NEW PARK.

T. T. Springer Has Scheme That Would Be Popular.

T. T. Springer is at the head of a movement that has progressed beyond the initial stage and which has for its object the purchase of a tract of land out of the city and the construction of a lake covering 15 or more acres and a club house. The proposition is to complete the formation of a stock company consisting of about fifty members who each pay \$100 for a share. This amount will be sufficient for the present about half the shares have been subscribed. The location of the club house is near the Concord place made it ready for a possible and with the possibility of a car line out there some time in the future one would not need a horse or a bicycle to get to the place.

THE DEATH RECORD.

Glesener.

The seven year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Glesener died Friday morning at the family residence 820 East Orchard street of lung fever.

The funeral will be held Saturday afternoon from the residence and the Rev. S. H. Bowyer will officiate. The body will be at Greenwood cemetery.

Mrs. Etta Corey.

Mrs. Etta Corey died early Friday morning at her home 602 North Stock street aged 27 years. She leaves a husband and two children.

The funeral will be held Sunday afternoon and the hour will be announced later.

Ralph McKenzie.

Ralph McKenzie, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Adam McKenzie died Friday morning at the family residence, 848 East Wood street, of pneumonia, aged two years and seven months.

The funeral will be held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the residence.

TELEPHONE GIRLS

Say They Have Just Cause for Complaint and Appeal to the Grocers for Aid.

SERVICE MIGHT BE IMPROVED.

If There Was More Help in Exchange—Want Increased Pay.

Some time ago the local association of retail grocers considered the advisability of withdrawing their patronage from the Central Union Telephone company. They complained that they did not get proper service and the supporters of the plan argued that if they made a concerted effort one phone would be sufficient. At that time they had many unpleasant things to say about the telephone service in general.

Yesterday a committee of telephone operators waited upon the Herald and said that they had previously visited a member of the grocers' association and had succeeded in enlisting his services in their behalf. They told this grocer that under certain conditions it would be possible to secure better telephone service and asked his help to that end, saying that when he did that he would be lending them a helping hand. The committee asked that their side of the case be set forth in detail in the Herald but as much of the alleged cause of complaint is between the management and the operators exclusively it should have no place in the controversy.

The operators say that they are as a fact sometimes indifferent as to the service they render. They did not put it in those words but did admit that if they were so inclined they could improve the service but they said that the conditions were so severe that it was not worth while to try.

The operators said that the regulars worked from 7 a. m. until 6 p. m. or 8 a. m. until 7 p. m. with an hour for dinner and were paid from \$15 to \$18 per month. The relief operators work from 11 a. m. to 1 p. m. and from 6 until 10 p. m. For this service they receive \$12 per month. They declare that the relief operators had their wages reduced \$2 per month without any notice that such a cut was coming.

The operators want to join hands with the grocers and each help the cause of the other if that is possible. The operators say that they are compelled to work too many hours per day and that the pay is insufficient. If there was more help in the exchange, according to the statement of the committee better service could be given.

A SIX CENT INCREASE

For the Decatur Coal Miners As a Result of the Scale Readjustment.

RATE AT OTHER NEARBY MINES.

As a result of the wage readjustment the miners of central Illinois get increased pay. The Springfield Journal says:

The Third district includes Springfield and associated mines, Lincoln, Niantic and Colfax. The miners of the Springfield associated mines will be given 5.57 cents a ton, as against 49.7 cents last year. Lincoln and Niantic miners will receive 59 cents a ton against 53 cents last year and the miners at Colfax will be given 59 cents against last year's scale of 53 cents.

In the Fourth district are included the mines along the Chicago & Alton railroad south of Springfield, and including Carlinville, Taylorville, Pann, Littlefield, Hishore, Wirt, Dixon, Ponton, Lawrence, Assumption, Mowanna, Mt. Pleasant, and Decatur. The miners on the C. & A. road will receive 55 cents a ton as against 49 cents last year. Mowanna miners will be given 59 cents a ton as against 53 cents last year and Decatur miners will be paid 59 cents a ton as against 54 cents last year. It is believed the scale will be settled satisfactorily in Assumption and Mt. Pleasant today.

Miners of the Fifth district will be given 55 cents a ton where coal is more than five feet thick and where is five feet and under they will get 60 cents a ton. Last year they received 49 and 54 cents a ton, respectively. The Fifth district includes Glen Carbon, Belleville and associated mines, and including Puckneyville, Whitesville and Nashville.

FIRST OF THE SEASON.

Garter Snake Killed Near St. Louis Bridge by Two Hunters.

J. C. Keck and C. C. Dougherty went duck hunting along the banks of the Sangamon Friday. They did not meet with much success in bagging mallards and teal and the like but they distinguished themselves by killing a snake and believe that they have made a record. Coming in from the hunt they discovered the reptile crawling along the railroad track south of St. Louis bridge. It was a large garter snake and was about two feet long. It is unusually early for snakes to be making their appearance and this particular creeper must have been induced by the sudden moderation of the weather.

MARRIED.

Wilson-Chapman.

The wedding of Mr. Samuel H. Wilson and Miss Lydia H. Chapman was solemnized at All Angels' Shrine Tuesday by the Rev. G. Taylor Griffith, priest in charge. The wedding was witnessed by relatives and friends of both the young people.

Mr. Wilson's grandmother, who handed him as an infant to the priest of All Angels to receive christening, was able to be present to see him married. Mr. Wilson is an excellent young man in every way and holds the position of a brass finisher in Mueller's, where he was worked a long time.

NEARBY TOWNS

Dalton City.

The daughter of Lesley Belden has been ill of pneumonia.

There was a wedding held at the church of Sacred Heart last Wednesday of Helen Thorpe and John Welch.

Louis Dunn, who has been critically ill, is slowly improving.

Mrs. Ella Freedland is visiting Miss Louise Firre at Decatur this week.

Ed Burkhardt is loading his household goods and will move to the southern part of the state.

The young people of the Christian Endeavor society of the Christian church gave a social Saturday night.

Miss Meeker of Sullivan was here Monday to look after some of her music class.

Professor Hoke of Sullivan was here Tuesday to conduct the central examination.

Eve McCarty and her brother, Victor, leave here Monday for Michigan where they will make their future home.

John Wehmhoff who has been ill with grippe is improving and is able to be out.

P. J. Keller who has been ill, is able to be out.

Warrensburg.

Rev. Moore of Warrensburg is assisting in the meetings at the Church of God.

John Tush and family moved to Decatur this week.

Mrs. Oxy expects to move in the house vacated by them.

John Lloyd of Broadlands, visited his sister, Miss Miller, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Slomaker returned last week from a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Schultz at Milmine.

Revival meeting will commence on Sunday evening at the M. E. church, if the meeting closed at the Church of God previous to that time.

Dr. A. T. Batts attended a Medical association at Decatur on Tuesday evening.

George Eaton moved Wednesday from the C. S. Hubbard farm to that vacated by Joe Ritchie.

Al Hinkley and family will move from town to a farm this spring.

Cold and colds are about as scarce here as hen teeth.

Monticello.

Mrs. Edith Wisegarver of Mansfield, is the guest of Miss Augusta Kasil this week.

The Misses Jessie Holmes and Rachel Huston and Mesdames M. R. Davidson and Mamie Williams went to Clinton Thursday as delegates to the Federation of Women's clubs.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Johnson will go to their new home in Clinton, a child.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Alvord of Belmont attended the reception given by the Woman's club Tuesday evening.

Miss Clara Phillips is in Decatur this week caring for her mother, who is quite ill.

Mrs. Elizabeth Malone and daughter Miss Scott, of Argenta, were business visitors on Tuesday.

John P. Donahue leaves Thursday for Chicago, where he will transact business.

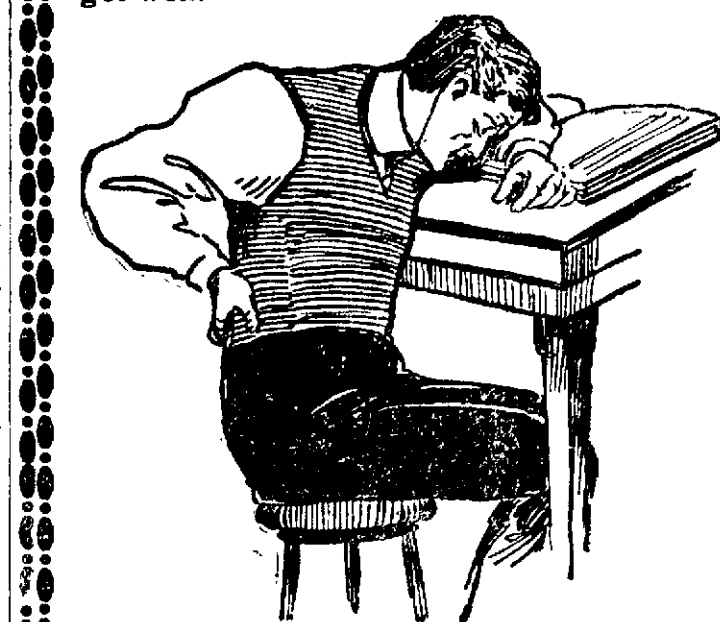
Seal's orchestra played for a dance at Riverside Monday night.

Miss Bira Pickett of Chicago was the guest of A. L. Rodgers and family Monday.

Mrs. L. T. Thibodeau is visiting her sister, Miss Ross, at Clinton.

On the Brink

Many a man sticks to his desk until outraged nature gives way and he is on the verge of collapse. It's only a backache—he declares—will be well in a few days—But it doesn't get well.



It gets worse and worse. Urinary troubles develop. Diabetes follows and then without further warning Bright's Disease fastens its terrible fangs in the system. No man can afford to neglect backache. It is a warning cry of overworked kidneys and must be heeded.

Doan's Kidney Pills

have brought back many a man and woman from the verge of the grave—Have saved many a year of suffering and given a new lease of life to thousands of kidney victims. They have done it right here in Decatur hundreds of times—Decatur citizens say so. Their testimony is positive—You can prove it any day.

Here is the statement of one Decatur man:

A. J. Anderson of 425 East Decatur street, telegraph operator, says: "Doan's Kidney Pills are advertised to cure backache and they did it to perfection in my case. While shifting a large tub of water I think I strained my kidneys. It was not the case it was certainly the commencement of my kidney trouble. I had a constant pain in my back and sides and stooping or turning about always increased it. At first I paid little or no attention to it, thinking that it would wear off, but I was mistaken for it got worse right along. I saw Doan's Kidney Pills advertised and got a box and took them as directed, gradually the pain began to leave me and when I had finished one box, it disappeared."

CLEARANCE SALE

....OF....

HANAN SHOES

This season's goods, latest winter styles, heavy soles, the chance of the season entire stock of Emanuel, Call, Box, Call and Cordovan. No reservations. \$5.00 values.....

\$3.98

Seventeen styles of Women's Fine Shoes to select from, in patent leather and Vel Kid Shoes in welt soles for street or light soles for dress, that we have been selling as high as \$3.50, all sizes and widths, all go in this sale at \$2.49.....

\$1.98

Eighteen styles of Men's Fine Shoes to select from, in patent leather, channel, vel kid, box calf and wax calf. Shoes that we have been selling at \$3.50 and \$5, all go in this sale at \$2.69, \$2.49, \$2.24 and.....

\$1.98

Good bargains in Misses Shoes, also in Boys' and Youths' Shoes, and some large sizes in Hanan's \$5.....

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Frank H. Cole Shoe Co.

148 E. Main St.

The Middle Store

WE GIVE TRADING STAMPS.

Deeds Recorded.

May L. Newberry to Elizabeth Ar-

nold, life estate in the west half of the northwest quarter of section 7, township 14, range 1 east. Also lot 21 in block 1 in Bell's first addition to Blue Mount: \$1.

Barbara Stare to E. C. Finckel lots 15 and 16 in William's subdivision of Gulick's addition to Decatur: \$1200.

E. E. Finckel to Victor P. Hilvety lots 15 and 16 in William's subdivision of Gulick's addition to Decatur: \$1500.

Eliza Brockway to W. L. Suffer lot 6 in block 6 in H. Robinson's addition to Decatur: \$2000.

S. S. Jack to Emma G. Bowman lot 11 in block 1 in Bruce's addition to Decatur: \$3500.

John P. Hale to Joseph C. Price, lot 7 in block 1 in E. L. Duffee's addition to Decatur: \$3200.

Andrew A. Allison to John E. Jones, lot 20 in Crowder & Roberts' addition to Decatur: \$1.

Martin R. Corbett to Chas. A. and Alonzo Hall the north third of the east half of section 36, township 17, range 1 west: \$5500.

Alonzo Hall to Chas. A. Hall the undivided one-half of the middle third of the west half of section 36, township 17, range 1 west: \$6000.

Chas. A. Hall to D. W. Moore the middle and third of the west half of section 36, township 17, range 1 west: \$13,000.

George Lienhart to G. H. Lienhart the west half of the southwest quarter of section 31, township 15, range 2 east: \$6500.

Elizabeth G. Corbett to Chas. A. and Alonzo Hall the middle third of the west half of section 36, township 17, range 1 west: \$12,000.

Fred E. Florey, et al to A. T. Griffith the north half of the southeast quarter of section 20, township 15, range 2 east: \$9,800.

Alonzo Hall to Chas. A. Hall, the undivided one-half of the north third of the east half of section 36, township 17, range 1 west: \$5000.

Bryan Bresnan to Edward Kinney, the south half of the southwest quarter of section 24, township 15, range 3 east: \$8800.

R. O. Jones to Bryan Bresnan the

southwest quarter of the southwest quarter of section 24, township 15, range 3 east: \$4000.

HOW THEY RAISE MONEY.

Methodists Are The Great Financiers of the Religious World.

It seems almost incredible that the Methodists of this country should have raised \$20,000,000 in less than four years by voluntary contributions by members of that church, but it was done and \$5,000,000 more added for good measure to provide homes for the superannuated and worn out Methodist preachers. Fifty years ago it would have been impossible.

The feat has been the wonder of the other denominations ever since the accomplishment of the feat was announced. As a result of the effort Methodism has received a tremendous impetus all over the country and especially in this state.

Iroquois Banquet.

Hon. J. M. Gray and L. A. Buckingham have received invitations to attend the twenty-second annual banquet of the Iroquois club to be held in Chicago on the 16th of next month. It is to be an elaborate affair costing ten dollars a plate. Ex-President Grover Cleveland is to be toastmaster. Iroquois was asked but he refused to mix it. Grover was going to be there. The committee had to cut Bryan out. Mr. Gray expects to attend the banquet, but Mr. Buckingham does not.

Mr. Gray is also in receipt of an invitation to attend the dedication of the World's fair grounds at St. Louis on April 30, and May 1 and 2.

You should stop occasionally and find out whether you are on the right road or on the wrong one.

Cured Consumption.

Mrs. R. W. Evans, Clearwater, Kan., writes: "My husband lay sick for three months. The doctors stated he had quick consumption. We procured a bottle of Ballard's Horehound Syrup and it cured him. That was six years ago, and since then we always kept a bottle in the house. We cannot do without it. For coughs and colds, it has no equal." 25c, 50c and \$1.00 a bottle at King's Drug Store and Bell, the Druggist.

Woman delights in the pure and noble.—Frederick Morton.

It is an easy matter for a man to deceive himself.

Are You Restless At Night

And harassed by a bad cough? Use Ballard's Horehound Syrup. It will soothe your sore throat and effect a prompt and radical cure. 25c, 50c and \$1.00 a bottle at King's Drug Store and Bell, the Druggist.

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